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AF-AMBASSADOR MULCAHY

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TO AMEMBASSY LAGOS

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SUBJECT: AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY

REF: A. LAGOS 9941 AND PREVIOUS.

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1. DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY MULCAHY CALLED IN NIGERIAN MINISTER-COUNSELOR OBE JULY 3 TO REITERATE DEPARTMENT'S STRONG INTEREST IN SATISFACTORY SETTLEMENT OF AIIC'S CASE. DURING HOUR LONG MEETING MULCAHY EXPRESSED CONCERN: (1) THAT MATTER SHOULD NOT BECOME CAUSE CELEBRE, WHICH MIGHT SPOIL INCREASINGLY GOOD ECONOMIC RELATIONS BETWEEN US AND NIGERIA, (2) THAT AIIC MAY NOT BE RECEIVING EQUAL TREATMENT WITH OTHER FIRMS, (3) THAT MATTER SHOULD BE HANDLED AT A HIGHER LEVEL IN LAGOS. MULCAHY'S REMARKS INCLUDED SEVERAL REFERENCE TO AMEMBASSY'S EFFORTS, WHICH WERE CITED AS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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INDICATION OF EXTENT USG INTEREST AND INVOLVEMENT. MULCAHY

HOPED AMBASSADOR GARBA WOULD INCLUDE AIIC ON HIS AGENDA
FOR UPCOMING CONSULTATIONS IN LAGOS.

2. OBE, UNAWARE ANY DEVELOPMENTS SINCE THOSE REPORTED
REFTEL B, PROMISED TO CONVEY OUR CONCERN TO GARBA, ADDING
OFF-THE-RECORD THAT PERHAPS USG WAS PRESSING TOO HARD AND

MAY HAVE ALREADY GENERATED SOME HOSTILITY IN MEA. OBE
THOUGHT ALOUD THAT AIIC MIGHT WISH TO SEEK RELIEF
THROUGH LEGAL CHANNELS, IF IN FACT FMG MAKES PAYMENT
AND CONSIDERS MATTER CLOSED.

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